

Wingin' It

Arlington Municipal Airport Newsletter



Issue 7—May 2016

www.arlington-tx.gov/Airport

5000 S. Collins Street
Arlington, TX 76018
Ofc: 817-459-5570
Fax: 817-466-8653

T-Hangar Assessment & Tenant Meeting May 11, 2016

The Airport will hold a meeting for tenants on Wednesday May 11, 2016, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the lobby of the Arlington Municipal Airport terminal building.

Topics will include the assessment of the Airport's T-hangars, the repair plan, lease terminations, and the City's new Fire Marshall will be available for questions and comments regarding the current fire regulations.

Last year in advance of a hangar maintenance project, the Airport conducted an initial assessment of the Airport's four oldest City T-hangar buildings. T-hangar Rows 1 and 3 were constructed about 1968; T-hangar Rows 4 and 5 were constructed in 1978. T-hangar Row 2 was destroyed by fire in 2005. T-hangar row 6 was constructed on the southern end of the Airport in 2009.

The report found that T-hangar rows 4 and 5 are in fair condition and can be repaired. This will include some structural steel repair, refurbishing the electrical wiring, new lights, interior and exterior painting, and sheet metal work as needed. The bid package is almost complete and will be released in May. Our plan is to select a contractor and finalize a schedule for repairs by June 15th.

(continued on page 4)

Hangar Inspections

Annual hangar Inspections will be postponed until the hangar repair project is complete.

Please plan to attend the Tenant Meeting on May 11, 2016 if you have questions regarding the inspections, or the T-Hangar Use and Ancillary Storage policy.

EAA Chapter 34— Young Eagle Event June 4, 2016

The next Young Eagles Rally, for children ages 8-17 years old, will be held June 4, 2016, at the Arlington Municipal Airport. This event is sponsored by Chapter 34 of the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) and includes ground school, free flights, and lots more aviation-related activities.

To register, or for additional information, please contact Jo Ann McCorkle, Chapter 34 EAA President, at 682-365-5937 or joannmccorkle1@gmail.com.

EAA Chapter 34 meets the second Tuesday of each month in the conference room of the Arlington Municipal Airport terminal building. Please join us! It's loads of fun! Contact Jo Ann McCorkle for more information.

Dumpster Issues

Please remember airport dumpsters are for refuse generated at the Airport, and not intended for home/yard refuse.

Trash should be placed inside the dumpster, not to the side of it, and at no time should be placed in the waste oil area.

If you have a large amount to dispose, contact Airport Operations for assistance. Thank you.

Wingin' It

Wildlife/Stormwater Updates



As we enter into spring and early summer months, bird activity increases with the northward flock migration in full swing. One common species seen at the Arlington Municipal Airport is the Upland Sandpiper, which migrates annually from the north during breeding season.

The Sandpiper is a shorebird, inhabiting open grassy areas and routinely spotted throughout the airfield. Airport Operations staff do what they can to disperse the birds; however, last year, we had three bird strikes around April and May and all dealt with the Upland Sandpiper.

If you see a flock settling in the Airport Operations Area, inform ATCT or Airport Operations and the birds will be dispersed.

If a strike does occur, please report it to Operations staff immediately (817-459-5571). If possible, Ops personnel will collect the remains - (technically referred to as "snarge"), and submit a report to the FAA Wildlife Strike Database. If the type of bird can't be determined onsite, a sample will be sent to the Smithsonian Institute for identification. Determining the species is very important to researchers. Data collected is used to help develop better methods of preventing bird strikes. Pilots are encouraged to also file a report, to give the FAA as much data on the strike as possible. The FAA Wildlife Strike Database is located at <http://wildlife.faa.gov>.

Another potential threat to aircraft is the coyotes. We have identified six that are currently roaming the airport. They are highly active at dawn and dusk. If you spot coyotes in the AOA please alert ATCT or Airport Operations.

Comments or Suggestions for
Upcoming Newsletters?

EMAIL AIRPORT @ARLINGTONTX.GOV OR CALL TRUDI LOY AT 817-459-5570

ATCT Matters

Tim Wollenburg, Air Traffic Control Tower Manager, reminds everyone:

"When the tower is closed, you are required to announce your intentions on the CTAF (128.625) not only for landing, takeoff and pattern entry calls, but also when you are taxiing out to the runway.

Also, please announce which runway you are taxiing to and also announce runway selection prior to taking the runway for departure". There have been instances where aircraft have not done this at other airports, resulting in some quick maneuvers to avoid one another. This is especially important at this time of the year when we are seeing increased flying before and after the tower is open due to cool weather in the morning and increased daylight.

Tim also wanted to feature recent issues of CALLBACK, published by the NASA Aviation Safety Reporting System. March 2016 topic is "Managing Muscle Memory", while the April 2016 publication discusses how "Safety Depends on Lessons Learned".

http://asrs.arc.nasa.gov/publications/callback/cb_434.html

http://asrs.arc.nasa.gov/publications/callback/cb_435.html



Business Spotlight—AeroPros Staffing



AeroPros
STAFFING

AeroPros Staffing, Inc.
5070 S. Collins Street, Suite 205
Arlington, TX 76018
Jobs@aeroprostaffing.com
(877) 593-0024

AeroPros Staffing is dedicated to providing temporary labor services to the Aviation Industry nationwide providing solutions for aircraft manufacturers, service centers, modification centers, repair stations, FBO's, and MRO's. They offer competitive pricing and custom tailored services to meet the unique needs of our clientele.

Aviation Professionals they provide include but are not limited to:

Structural Mechanics • Avionics Technicians • Aircraft Painters • A&P Mechanics
Interior Fabricators & Installers • Cabinet Finisher • Sheet Metal Fabrication
Cabinet Fabricators • Inspectors • Aircraft Electronics & Entertainment Systems Technicians
Composite Technicians • Sheet Metal Parts Fabricators

Andrew Hirsch, President of AeroPros Staffing told us, "It is the promise of AeroPros Staffing to provide exceptional service to every client and employee through our commitment to doing things the right way."

T-Hangar Assessment & Tenant Meeting May 11, 2016 (continued from page 1)

Unfortunately, T-hangar rows 1 and 3 were designed and constructed to less stringent standards, and can't be repaired to meet current code requirements. When repairs are finished on T-hangar rows 4 and 5, rows 1 and 3, which house hangars #H-001—#H-060, will be torn down. Airport staff will work with tenants that lease hangars in these rows to accommodate as many as possible in the remaining T-hangars.

The below map shows the hangar locations. The hangars that will ultimately be torn down are City Hangars 1-20 and 41-60. The hangars whose tenants will be relocated while repairs are made are housed in City Hangars 61-78 and 79-96. These are the hangars just south of gate E.

